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U.S. Patent No. 7,090,053



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Applicants: Timothy B. Bothwell, et al. )  
Serial No.: 10/656,818 )  
Patent No. : 7,090,053 )

Issued: August 15, 2006

For: Scaffold Plank and Method of Making  
Same

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**REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.322**

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed herewith is a Certificate of Correction for U.S. Patent No. 7,090,053 issued August 15, 2006. Upon reviewing the issued patent, the patentee noted that all the inventors were not named on the face of the issued patent. Specifically, Peter F. Bemis was not listed as a co-inventor with Timothy B. Bothwell and Roy Watson. Please correct said patent as follows to include all three co-inventors.

Timothy B. Bothwell, Riverside, CA (US);  
Roy Watson, Norwalk, CT (US); and  
Peter F. Bemis, Elkhart Lake, WI (US).

Peter F. Bemis was added as a co-inventor by way of a Request to Correct Inventorship filed on March 13, 2006, such Request being granted via the Office Communication mailed April 25, 2006. As evidence of such Request being granted by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, attached as Exhibits A and B are copies of the Request to Correct Inventorship as well as said Office Communication granting the same.

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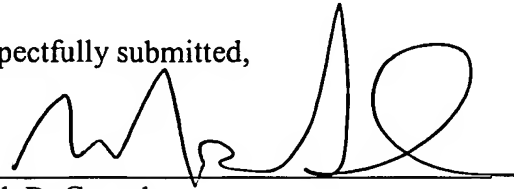
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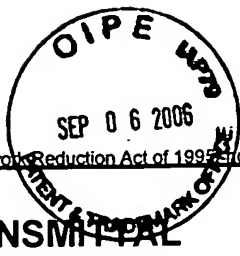
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First Named Inventor	Timothy B. Bothwell
Art Unit	3634
Examiner Name	Chin Shue, Alvin
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PATENT NO. : 7,090,053

APPLICATION NO.: 10/656,818

ISSUE DATE : August 15, 2006

INVENTOR(S) : Timothy B. Bothwell, et al.

It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Timothy B. Bothwell, Riverside, CA (US);  
Roy Watson, Norwalk, CT (US); and  
Peter F. Bemis, Elkhart Lake, WI (US).

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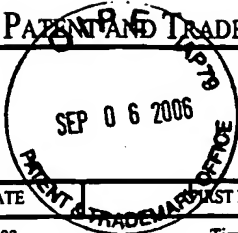
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Alvin C. Chin-Shue  
Examiner  
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In view of the papers filed 3/15/06, it has been found that this nonprovisional application, as filed, through error and without deceptive intent, improperly set forth the inventorship, and accordingly, this application has been corrected in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(a). The inventorship of this application has been changed by applicant's request to correct inventorship under 37 CFR 1.48.

The application will be forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination (OIPE) for issuance of a corrected filing receipt, and correction of Office records to reflect the inventorship as corrected.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Alvin C. Chin-Shue whose telephone number is 571-272-6828. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Richard Chilcot can be reached on 571-272-6777. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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Alvin C. Chin-Shue  
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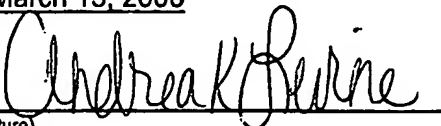
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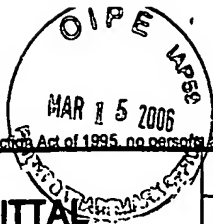
  
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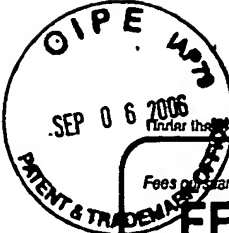
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Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
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Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

<u>Total Claims</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>	<u>Multiple Dependent Claims</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>
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**REQUEST TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP UNDER 37 CFR 1.48**

**PURSUANT TO 35 U.S.C. 116**

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Dear Sir/Madam:

Applicants hereby request a correction of inventorship for the above-identified application under 37 CFR 1.48 pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 116. In particular, Applicants request that the inventorship be changed from Timothy B. Bothwell and Roy Watson to all three Timothy B. Bothwell, Roy Watson and Peter F. Bemis. Further, in support of Applicants' request for change of inventorship, Applicants submit concurrently herewith a statement from each person being added as an inventor that the error in inventorship occurred without deceptive intention on his part. In particular, as shown in Exhibit A, Peter F. Bemis, the person being added as an inventor, states that the error in inventorship occurred without deceptive intention on his part.

A Declaration by the newly added inventor as required by 37 CFR § 1.63 is also being submitted concurrently herewith as Exhibit B. The Declaration lists Timothy B. Bothwell, Roy Watson and Peter F. Bemis as inventors of the above-identified application and is executed by all three inventors (the Declaration of Timothy B. Bothwell and Roy Watson, having been executed and filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office with the initial application filing and for which a copy is included in Exhibit B).

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Applicants also submit concurrently herewith a written consent of the Assignee, Bothwell Enterprises, Inc. as Exhibit C wherein the Assignee consents to the change of inventorship. Applicants also submit the processing fee set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(i) (\$130).

By this Correction of Inventorship, Applicants respectfully submit that the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.48(a) have been met and request the Examiner to change the inventorship of the above-identified application to reflect all three Timothy B. Bothwell, Roy Watson and Peter F. Bemis as co-inventors. Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative at the number listed below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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**DECLARATION OF PETER F. BEMIS**

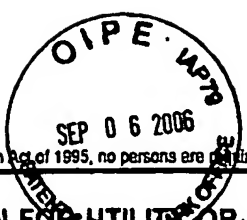
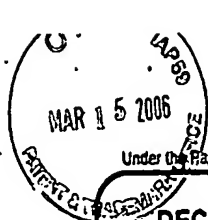
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I, Peter F. Bemis, declare as follows:

1. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein.
2. The inventors of the above-identified patent application as filed are Timothy B. Bothwell and Roy Watson. However, the inventors of the above-identified application are Timothy B. Bothwell, Roy Watson and Peter F. Bemis. This error in naming all of the inventors occurred without deceptive intent on my part.
3. I further declare that all statements made herein are of my own knowledge and are true, and further that I am aware that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any registration resulting therefrom.

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I, Timothy B. Bothwell, have the authority to act on behalf of the Assignee of the above-identified application, namely, Bothwell Enterprises, Inc. The Assignee consents to the requested inventorship correction requested by the Applicants. In particular, the Assignee consents to correct the inventorship from Timothy B. Bothwell and Roy Watson to Timothy B. Bothwell, Roy Watson and Peter F. Bemis.

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